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In re Application of
AKKERMAN, et al.
Application No. 10/822,117
Filed: April 9, 2004
Attorney Docket No. 018219/00002

DECISION ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition filed under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed December 20, 2006, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **DISMISSED**.

The rules and statutory provisions governing the operations of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office require payment of a fee on filing each petition to revive an abandoned application for patent based on unintentional delay or to accept an unintentionally delayed payment of a fee for issuing a patent. In this instance, the fee required by law is \$1,500. If applicant can qualify as a "small entity" and does so prior to or together with the payment of the fee, the fee will be one-half of the amount indicated. See 37 CFR 1.27.

The petition in the above-identified application was not accompanied by payment of the required fee. No consideration on the merits can be given to the petition until the required fee is received.

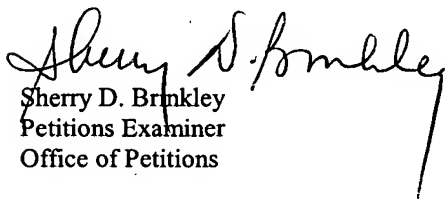
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